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I hope you enjoy the Gala
Day and I wish you and
Queen Ruby and her
attendants and all the
children taking part in the
Gala Day very best wishes

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Hello and a welcome to your free edition of the 2017 Gala-Day programme. We are able to provide this free due to the generous sponsors that have advertised in the programme and free design work done by Mr John Hardie, so a massive thank you to him for his time and efforts.

This year has been very challenging for the committee with regards to fund raising as we're struggling to get the support we need so I would ask if you can help us in any way please do so. Every penny helps us in reaching our target of nearly £20,000 which it costs to run the Gala-Day every year.

I would like to thank the very kind people of Blackburn who have pledged money and sponsored the races and events in the civic week this helps us greatly. To the pubs and businesses within the village who have sponsored bands. To Community Action Blackburn who have paid for the wrestling in the park. To Classic cars (Diesel Jocks) and Bill Grieve for the use of their cars every year and all the owners and drivers of the floats without your help the procession would not be what it is today.

A big Thank You goes to everyone who gives up their time to help us on the day and provide support.





ABOUT RUBY

Age: 11

School: Murrayfield

Favorite animal: Dog

Favorite food: Pizza

Favorite music All kinds

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GET INVOLVED



DO YOUR BIT FOR YOUR GALA DAY



We are always on the look out for new members to join the committee and with the gala day going through another growth period we need people to come onboard and help drive it forward.

Unfortunately gala days seem to be dying out in West Lothian but we are committed to keeping the tradition alive.

Over the last few years we have been close to cancelling due to lack of funding and support but this year we have been over whelmed with the number of individuals who have come forward and offered to financially support our civic week events. For this we can not thank you enough.



Since 1911 there has only been 1 recorded year when the event was cancelled. Our Gala Day is one of the oldest in the country.

We had arranged a few fundraising nights throughout the year which we had to Unfortunately cancel due to lack of support so if you would like to run an event for us or come on board to help with fundraising then please get in touch. We are always looking for new ideas.

We now need people to help us take the gala day to the next level. You only need to be over the age of 18, thats all we ask. The more people from different backgrounds the better so we have a wider scope of skills and ideas. We will be hosting our AGM towards the end of the summer.

If you feel you can help us, please make yourself known to the committee or phone Diane on 07570 801436 or email: dianehardie@gmail.com. We would love to have you onboard!

They will be followed by the Flower Queen and her attendants, the Queen of Hearts, the Knave of Hearts bearing the crown, and gift bearers.

The Senior and Junior Heralds will accompany our 2016 Gala Day Queen Miss. Emma Parker to the platform

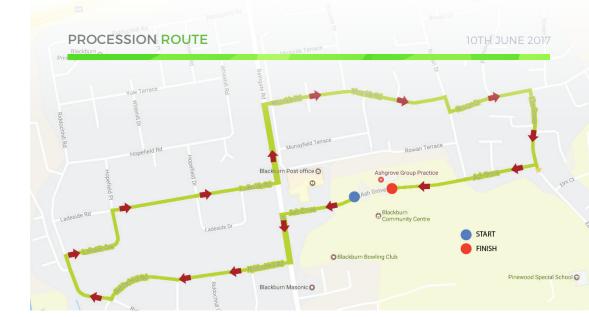
A piper will announce the arrival of Miss. Ruby East. A loan piper will accompany Miss. Ruby East, Queens Champion and Ladies in Waiting where they will take up their respective positions on the platform.

The Proclamation is read by the Senior Herald Liam Kidney. Miss. Ruby East kneels, The Crown Bearer offers the crown to Queen Emma Parker who crowns our 2017 Queen Ruby East

God save the Queen is played as Queen Ruby sits on the throne. The sceptre bearer presents the sceptre to our new Queen. The knaves present bouquets to Queen Ruby, the ladies in waiting and our previous Gala Day Queen Miss. Emma Parker

The royal party then leaves the platform to take up their positions in the cars and floats ready for the procession.

2016 Queen: Emma Parker



Ash Grove will be closed from 9:00am (from Elm Grove, Rowan Street and the Bathgate Road) on the morning of the Gala Day to allow the parade to be set up. Access will be permitted by emergency services only.



ON THE DAY ITINERARY



PROCESSION ARRANGEMENTS AND SCHEDULE



PARK ENTERTAINMENT (AT BLACKBURN JUNIORS PARK)

08.00-09.30	>>	Judging of best decorated houses flats and premises
09.00-09.45	>>	Congregation of floats next to Blackburn Community Centre. Assembly of pageant characters, bands, guest cars etc
09.00-10.00	>>	Congregation of guests
09.00-10-15	>>	Photos of pageant children
09.30-09.45	>>	Judging of fancy dress, best decorated pole, and fancy cycle/pram
09.45-10.00	>>	Judging of floats
10.30 approx	>>	Crowning Ceremony
11.30	>>	Procession starts
12.00-14.00	>>	Collection of Gala Day bags at Community Centre. (All bags MUST be uplifted by 2pm)

13.00-17.00

Shows open at 1pm Rides for all ages along with a variety of stalls

There are free inflatables at the far end of the football park between 1pm - 5pm for under 12's

Non stop family entertainment through the afternoon

Reckless Intent will be on the park with their wrestling matches and an over the top rope battle royal from 1pm

Mass bands parade at approx 2pm on the park

There will also be a selection of stalls and characters on the park



QUEEN OF HEARTS





Lucas Wilson



Lucas Wilson



Logan Dobson



Scotty Paxton



Robert Neary



Macaulay Owens



Leland Green



Kenzie Somerville



Jay James Johnston



Declan Kempson



Cooper Miller



Callan Johnston



Cameron Savage



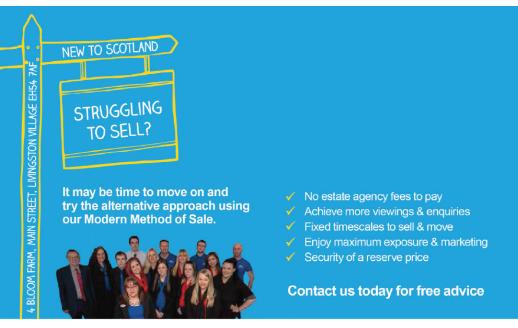
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Ellie Paxton



Carra Berry



Sophie Hurnn



Makayla Wylie-Clark



Payton Owens



Rosie Proctor

Tegoroczne uroczyste święto gali odbędzie się w sobotę, 10 czerwca 2017 r.

W środę o godzinie 10:30 odbywa się uroczystość wręczenia nagród w centrum miasta z marszami, zdobionymi pływakami, dziećmi, dziećmi i rodzinami, a nasza królowa i jej nowy sąd.

Po zakończeniu procesji będziemy mieli rozrywkę rodzinną w centrum społeczności od 13.00-17.00, która obejmuje przejażdżki dla starszych dzieci i niektóre bezpłatne plandeki dla młodszych dzieci plus kilku zapaśników, bohaterów dzieci i wiele innych.



Tydzień obywatelski rozpoczyna się w piątek, 2 czerwca, kiedy to odbywają się coroczne szkoły Blackburn, odbywające się w niedzielę z naszym wyścigiem rodzinnym. Poniedziałek, będzie przeszkodą w przeszkodach na torze rowerowym, we wtorek mamy nasz Interschool quiz i rodzinne polowanie na skarby. W środę mamy pokazy magiczne dla dzieci i dyskoteki dla dzieci, aw czwartek to 5 piłkarzy bocznych dla tego dzieciaka. Aby uzyskać więcej informacji Odwiedź nas na facebooku.

facebook.com/BlackburnGalaDay





The Rotary Club of Whitburn wishes Blackburn Children's Gala Day 2017 every success

The Rotary Club of Whitburn is part of Rotary International, a worldwide organisation that supports Communities throughout the World.

This past year we have continued to provide local Care Homes with an afternoon of live entertainment and supported many local Gala Days.

Our Primary School Quiz resulted in a win for Polkemmet Primary School with 3 schools tying for 2^{nd} place, only 1 point behind the winners. For Secondary Schools, there are many District events for Young Golfer, Photographer, Chef and Technologist, etc.

Again, we supported the West Lothian Highland Games and provided security wristbands which are put on the child's wrist and is a contact if they become separated. It is appreciated by many parents. The date this year is the 27th May.

Our Youth Talent Night in the Autumn was a great success with singers and instrumentalists giving impressive performances before a public audience. We successfully arranged for one of the artists to travel to the USA and perform with the San Diego Youth Symphony Orchestra.

Internationally, we continue to support a Centre in Trinidad run by our twin Rotary Club that rehabilitates street children back into the community. Our used spectacle collection continues and with YOUR help we expect our total to reach 30,000 pairs this summer.

We meet each Tuesday at the Cairn Hotel in Bathgate at 18.45hrs for 19.00hrs.





INTER PRIMARY SCHOOL RELAY

Between: Blackburn Primary School, Murrayfield Primary School, and Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School.

(All participants must be resident in Blackburn and attend Blackburn School)



BOYS & GIRLS FLAT RACES

Age: Under 5/5/6/7/8/9/10/11/12/13-16

First Second Third £5.00 £3.00 £2.00



JUNIOR TUG OF WAR

Sponsored by Ross & Caroline McKay £25 winning team

(Under 16 mixed teams)

ADULT TUG OF WAR

Sponsored by The Crown Bar £75 winning team

(Over 16 mixed teams)

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BOYS & GIRLS JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Sponsored by Tracey Burt & Claire Hind

2 LAP MARATHON (11 - 13 years)

First Second Third £30.00 £10.00 £5.00

WOMEN'S FLAT RACE 6

17 years and over Age: First Second Third £5.00 £3.00 £2.00



MEN'S FLAT RACE 7

During this event there will be a selection of stalls, shows, kiddies rides & inflatables

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Age: 17 years and over Second Third First £5.00 £3.00 £2.00



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VISITORS BOYS & GIRLS FLAT RACE

Under 5's £2.00 £1.50 £1.00 5 – 10 years £2.00 £1.50 £1.00 11 – 16 1/4 years £2.00 £1.50 £1.00



JUNIOR WHEEL BARROW RACE

Sponsored by Fiona Savage £25 winning team

(Under 16 mixed teams)



ADULT WHEEL BARROW RACE

Sponsored by The Happy Valley £75 winning team

(Over 16 mixed teams)



BOYS & GIRLS EGG & SPOON RACES

Age 5/6/7/8/9/10/11/12/13-16

First Second Third £5.00 £3.00 £2.00



MALE (OVER 16 YEARS) & CHILD 3 LEGGED RACE

Under 5's £5.00 £3.00 £2.00 5 – 10 years £5.00 £3.00 £2.00 11 – 16 1/4 years £5.00 £3.00 £2.00



FEMALE (OVER 16 YEARS) & CHILD 3 LEGGED RACE

Under 5's £5.00 £3.00 £2.00 5 – 10 years £5.00 £3.00 £2.00 11 – 16 1/4 years £5.00 £3.00 £2.00



BOYS & GIRLS SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Sponsored by Avril Murphy & Blackburn United Ladies

Age: (14 – 16 1/4 years) 3 LAP MARATHON

First Second Third £3.00 £10.00 £5.00



BOYS & GIRLS FIND THE LOST SHOE RACES

Age: under 5/5/6/7/8/9/10/11/12/13-16

First Second Third £5.00 £3.00 £2.00

Karen Brown

Jimmy Graham Karen Dodd

Family Cente Sadie Boyle

David Severs

Elaine Clark

Kevin Dodd Blackburn 2003

Ruby Elliot

Steve Lawton

Kate, Becky & Sara Smith

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Blackburn Girls

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Jean Carty Emma Parker

Katie Wardle-Roy Evelyn Mcallister

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Lynne Wishart

Gail Pender

Family Centre

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Scott & Tammy Byers Angela Maguire

Kenzie Sommerville

Lyndsay Mcaulay

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Fun 2 Fives

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Fulton

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Jim Brown

Samantha Nicolson

Joanne Carty

Sophie Carty Martin Gallagher

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Closing date for entries is Thursday 8th June at 4pm. Names and addresses can be handed into the post office. Winners will be announced at the Crowning Ceremony on the 10th June at 10:30am

FRIDAY 2ND JUNE



BLACKBURN SCHOOLS HAVE TALENT SHOW

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Sponsored by the Drysdale Family

Blackburn Community Centre - Doors open 6.30pm show starts at 7pm.

3 finalists from Blackburn Primary School, Murrayfield Primary and Our Lady of Lourdes. For more information on heats, please contact your school.

SUNDAY 4TH JUNE



STREET FAYRE AND RACES

REE EVENT

Blackburn Juniors Park, from 12pm.

Races for all ages, wheel barrow race, tug of war, junior and senior championships, inflatables, shows and stalls.

New events include wheel barrow and tug of war for over AND under 16's

All events are sponsored by members of the community

MONDAY 5TH JUNE



OBSTACLE BIKE RACE

REE EVENT

Sponsored by Mr & Mrs Nicolson

Blackburn Juniors Park - Registration 6.30pm, Event starts at 7pm.

Separate races for boys and girls. Cash prizes for all winners Age groups: Under 5's / 5 - 8 years / 9 - 11 years / 13 - 16 years

NOTE ALL CHILDREN TAKEN PART MUST WEAR A SAFETY HELMET.

TUESDAY 6TH JUNE



INTER PRIMARY SCHOOL QUIZ

REE EVENT

Our Lady of Lourdes - 6.30pm - 8pm

Teams consist of 1 pupil from Primary 3,4,5,6,7. Come along and support the kids!



FAMILY TREASURE HUNT

FREE EVEN

Sponsored by Blackburn and Whitburn Labour Party

Blackburn Community Centre - Registration 6.30pm event starts at 7pm

You have 1 hour to collect all the clues and get entered into the draw for some fantastic prizes.

All children must have an adult present

WEDNESDAY 7TH JUNE



CHILDREN'S MAGIC SHOW

FREE EVENT

Sponsored by Hugh Owens in memory of Jane & Joe Owens

Blackburn Community Centre 10am -11am

All play groups, pre school, nursery's P1 – P3 and Pinewood School

WEDNESDAY 7TH JUNE



PRIMARY SCHOOL DISCO

£1 ENTRY

Sponsored by Ann & Lesley Ann Byers

Blackburn Community Centre

P4 and under (including pre school): 5pm – 6.15pm P5 – P7: 6.30pm – 8pm

Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult. Adults welcome to wait in coffee bar area

THURSDAY 8TH JUNE



5-A-SIDE FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

FREE EVENT

Blackburn United community football club at Demi Master Stadium

Primary School registration: 6.15pm Secondary school registration: 7.15pm

We would like to thanks Blackburn United Community Club for their support in running this event for us.

FRIDAY 9TH JUNE



PUBS AND CLUBS FOOTBALL

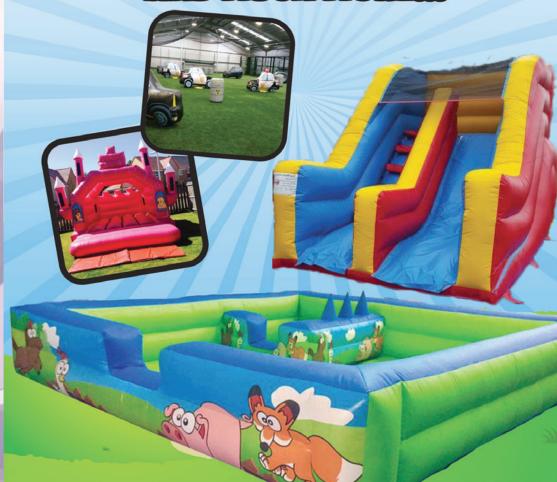
7pm Murrayfield Juniors Park







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HOW TO ENTER

To enter for this year's Personality of the year Competition, names should be submitted in writing with why you think this person should be nominated.

The person must be resident in Blackburn and all duties carried out MUST also be done within our village.

Letters should be addressed to:

Mr David Richardson, Gala Day President, 5 Pinewood Place, Blackburn EH47 7NX

All names are put to the Gala Day Committee where they will be short listed. The final decision on who is selected for the Personality of the Year is taken by the President and will remain anonymous until the morning of the Gala Day.

2016 Winner Colin Robertson

There are so many people deserving of recognition for the voluntary work they carry out within our Village. It is easy to recognise the people who live within the Village but often others can slip through the net.

In 2012 we introduced "Volunteer Award" for those who carry out voluntary work within the Village but don't actually stay here.

All names are put to the Gala Day committee where a joint decision will be made and the winner will be announced on the morning of the Gala day.



2016 Winner lan McGinty



HOW TO ENTER

If you know of someone who you think deserves this award please submit their details and the reason why you think they should be nominated to:

Diane Hardie, Gala Day Secretary. C/O Blackburn Community Centre or by email: dianehardie@gmail.com

This award is sponsored by Lynne Wishart

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1976 Jane Carruthers 1977 Jacqueline Forrest 1978 Linda Pritchard 1979 Lorraine Johnstone 1980 Isobel Singleton 1981 Mandy McCrae 1982 Yvonne MacFarlane 1983 Yasmin Baker 1984 Linda Johnstone 1985 Joanne Robb 1986 Debbie Reynolds 1987 Lynne Graham 1988 NO GALA DAY 1989 Elizabeth Anne Shaw 1990 Glynis McCormack 1991 Bridget Mallon 1992 Carrieanne Machnik 1993 Karen Colquhoun 1994 Michelle Reid 1995 Nicole McKee 1996 Pamela McDowell 1997 Suzanne McKee

1998 LesleyAnne McKee 1999 Samantha Tripney 2000 Tammy Whittingham 2001 Anisa Yule 2002 Stacey Livingston 2003 Vicky Clark 2004 Jenna Clucas 2005 Robyn Clucas 2006 Ashley Graham 2007 Nicole Reid 2008 Chloe Fraser 2009 Danni Lee 2010 Kay McAuley 2011 Nicole Hannah 2012 Erin Scoular 2013 Morgan Scott 2014 Chloe Mason 2015 Abbie Surgeon 2016 Emma Parker



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GALA DAY COMMITTEE 10TH JUNE 20TH

DAVID RICHARDSON - PRESIDENT

I look forward to the Gala Day every year to show the people of Blackburn and beyond how hard the committee work to bring you this fantastic tradition for over 100 years now.

LYNN MARTIN - VICE PRESIDENT

After a difficult year fundraising, I am most looking forward to Blackburn community's reaction to a bigger pageant, more floats, and more bands than we have ever had. Have a great day everyone and stay safe.

DIANE HARDIE - SECRETARY

I'm really looking forward to this years event as it will be the biggest and best so far. My Favourite event has to be the Blackburn Schools have Talent Show. Its amazing to see how much talent our Blackburn kids have.

△ JIMMY GRAHAM - CHAIRPERSON

I'm looking forward to seeing all the happy faces from all the kids that take part.

MAREN DODD - COMMITTEE MEMBER

I'm looking forward to seeing all the children, whether they are talking part or watching, excited and enjoying themselves. I also like the fact families come together on the Gala Day and enjoy the day and you meet people you haven't seen for a while. It feels like we all belong to one big family.

LESLEY MCGREGOR - PAGEANT CO-ORDINATOR

I'm looking forward to the Gala Day to see all the children who have put so much effort in to dressing up and also to have fun family time.

JEAN THOMAS - COMMITTEE MEMBER

I'm looking forward to the Gala Day as I know that the committee have worked hard to put another fantastic day together for the community of Blackburn and to see all the kids enjoying themselves and bringing families together having fun.

I'm looking forward to the Gala Day, to seeing all the pageant children taking part and enjoying it. I am always very proud of all the children on the day and love that the galaday brings families and the community together.

PACHEL DODD - BAND SECRETARY

Im most looking forward to seeing families spend the day together. Laughing and enjoying yourself is what Blackburn Gala Day is all about.

SAMANTHA NICOLSON - PAGEANT CO-ORDINATOR

I'm looking forward to this year's Gala Day as it will be my first year being a part of the fabulous committee who put on such a fantastic day for the community. I am also looking forward to seeing all the wonderful pageant children on their special day too.

ANN BYERS - HOSPITALITY

I am looking forward to the Gala Day as it's our last one at the Community Centre. Remembering Gala Day's of old and memories made, next year new memories will be made.

© CLAIRE BONI - COMMITTEE MEMBER

I'm looking forward seeing all the kids dressed up on the Gala Day especially the wee fairies.

LESLEY ANN BYERS - PAGEANT CO-ORDINATOR

At this year's Gala Day I'm looking forward to seeing our new Queen Ruby East be crowned as 2017 Gala Day Queen. I can't wait to see all the kids on the day. The knaves have been working hard at practice!

JULIANN WALLACE - COMMITTEE MEMBER

I'm looking forward to seeing all the hard work everyone has put in come together.

With the crowning of our new Queen - Queen Emma Parker, we were on the way to the preparations for our 2017 event.

It's been a roller coaster of a year for us. Highs have been the success of last years event, the Halloween Party and the Santa parade, as well some of the nights out we had.

Our Halloween party saw over 100 children and parents all dressed up in an array of costumes to scare the committee. The Santa Parade just keeps growing and this year we had a record number of people following the procession. I think we have the best dancing Santa in the world! Staying with Christmas, our annual ball once again was a great success. If you're wanting tickets for this years ball, get in touch soon, it's always a sell out.

Last year we also introduced our memorial Xmas tree. We were amazed by the amount of baubles and decorations that were placed on behalf of loved ones no longer with us.

Santa visits were again increased from last year. There's nothing better than sharing your child's excitement when Santa chaps the door. Some of the adult nights out were fully supported however there was some that we had to cancel due to lack of support.

We could really be doing with attracting new committee members to help drive this forward so if your interested then get in touch.

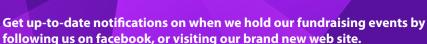
We have also had a few street fayres this year which are always well supported. We have now started inviting stall holders from outside the community to take part. This gives you a wider selection of goodies to choose from and low prices.

The pubs, clubs and businesses have really helped us this year by taking collection tins for us. If everyone just gave a little it would take a lot of the pressure off our fundraising activities. We hope you are all proudly displaying your certificates showing you're a supporter.

Our civic week starts on Friday 2nd and we have a selection of events for all ages (see page 26). Bring the kids and family along - you'll have a great time.

Thanks again for your support!





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YOUR FEEDBACK 10TH JUNE 2017



We would appreciate if you could take some time to fill-out the form below. Please be honest. All comments will be taken onboard. We really value your opinion. If you didnt attend an event please leave blank

Out of 10 (10 being the highest), how would you rate the following. Please leave blank if you didn't attend.

Crowning Ceremony Parade Park Entertainment Please use the space below to let us know anything that you feel could improve the Gala Day. All comments are welcome.

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BLACKBURN COMMUNITY CENTRE 10TH JUNE 2017









It's with fond memories that we say goodbye to the Community Centre this year.

The Gala Day has been held here for the past 60 years and over these years there has been some amazing memories created, friendships formed as well as some tears and tantrums but most of all we have had fun together.

The Community Centre was the hub of the community in its heyday especially in the 60/70/80/90's when Blackburn was over crowded and Blackburn Academy was open. It was a local meeting place for adults and children. For the children there were, roller discos on a Saturday morning with a childrens disco during the week plus youth clubs on several times a week.

I think every child in Blackburn was a member of the community centre as there was so much for them to do there. Even when you were at school, those of you that hated school dinners (who could hate chips and cheese???) would pop along to the community centre for one of Roberta Clark or Linda Whites chip rolls!

Unfortunatley times changed and the centre was been used less often by members of the community. Peoples needs also changed and unfortunatley the centre couldn't keep up with the changing times. One thing that never changed was the staff and managements help and support they gave to the gala day. For this we thank you and look forward to working with you again in the new partnership centre that is due to be opened this year.



The mural at Blackburn Community Education Centre was painted by local boy Bruce Matchett in 1969, two years after the centre opened, when he was just 16.

The artwork was only recently uncovered as work got underway to demolish the centre which will move into the new £8.2 million Blackburn Partnership Centre later this year.

Bruce painted the mural in 1969 inspired by the famous faces of that time period and the people who attended the centre.

He said: "It's fantastic that there's interest in something that was completed nearly 50 years ago. When you do something like this as a boy you never ever expect it to be around today."

Unfortunately the mural which has lain hidden for over three decades will have to be destroyed along with the building - however steps are underway to ensure its memory is preserved for future generations at the new centre.

Whilst it's not possible to move the mural, a display would ensure that it will be remembered and seen by the public, creating a direct link between the centre in the past and the new partnership centre going forward into the future.

60 years of Gala Day presidents, Matt McRae, Bill Barrowman, Eddie Fowler and the current president David Richardson.



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We could not let the gala day go by without saying a massive thanks to the businesses and members of the community that have helped us financially with this year's event.

This year we had to appeal to the community to help us out financially as there was a guestion over the civic week and the gala day entertainment.

CHILDRE CHILDRE Lucky for us the community stepped in and paid all the civic week enterainment for us. From sponsoring a £10 kids race, championship events, bike obstacle course, magic show and dicso as well as the gala day events itself.

The fancy dress competition, decorated wheels and pole as well as the best decorated house. The support we received was amazing and showed some real community spirit

We also need to say thanks to the businesses that donated to us either by having a collection tin, sponsoring a float/ band or helping us in other ways so a massive thanks to them. We hope you are proudly displaying your support certificates in your windows!

We also give thanks to the businesses that advertised in our gala day program this year. Through your sponsorship we are now in a position to provide every household in Blackburn a FREE copy of the gala day program.

Finally we must say thanks to every one that took part in last years event. Our gala day has been going since 1911 so heres to 2017 and hope you all have a fantastic day.

If you would like to sponsor a competition, event, race, float or anything else next year please contact Diane on 07570801436 dianehardie@ gmail.com We have packages from only £10!

> How about running an event for us or if your planning any running/cycling events how about getting some sponsorship on our behalf?

> > What about the joining committee? The more people we have the more ideas we have and everyone is welcome.

Help can come in many forms so get in touch today to see how you can help.

HOW TO DONATE

This simplest way to do this is by standing order directly into our bank account. So far this year we raised just over £1000 with people making donations from as little as £1 a month. If you would like to contribute our bank details are as follows:

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FAMILY FUN DAY:

Join us on Sunday 20th August, 2017, for a day of fun for the family at Blackburn Community Centre